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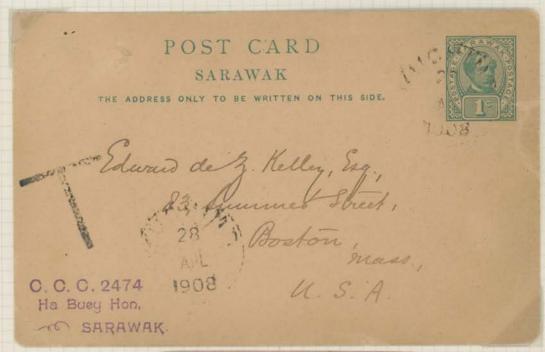
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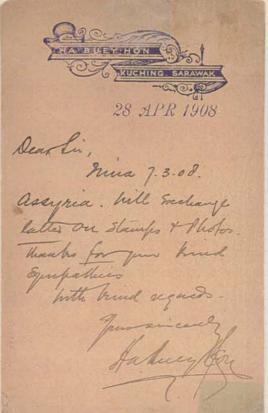
April 1908

Underpaid PSC (local rate of 1 cent) from Kuching, Sarawak to Boston, USA postmarked 28 April 1908.

The rate was 4 cents and the deficiency 3 cents.

There is a Kuching "T" (Taxe) mark but no sign that postage due was charged in the US.





Sarawak

April 1909

Underpaid envelope from Kuching, Sarawak to Bala, Pennsylvania, USA postmarked 8 APR 1909 on two copies of the 2 cents of 1899 with another mark of 12 APR 1909 alongside. The rate was 8 cents and the deficiency 4 cents.

There is a Kutching "T" (Taxe) mark but no sign that postage due was charged on arrival in the US. The arrival mark Bala, Pennsylvania of 14 (June 1909?) is on the reverse.

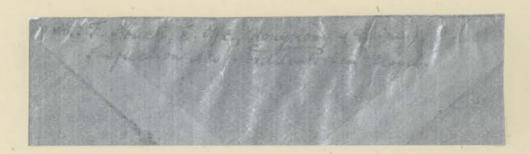


Sarawak November 1909

Underpaid envelope from Kuching, Sarawak to Dresden, Germany postmarked 18 November 1909 with another mark of 23 November 1909 underneath on two copies of the 2 cents of 1899. The rate was 8 cents and the deficiency 4 cents.

There is a Kutching "T" (Taxe) mark and a blue manuscript "1/30c" to indicate first weight step and 30 French centimes postage due being double the deficiency. There is no sign that postage due was charged on arrival in Germany.





Sarawak

June/August 1916

Underpaid letter from Kuching, Sarawak to Ohio, USA with postage partly paid by one copy of the 2 cents and two copies of the 3 cents of 1899/1908 postmarked 21 June 1916. The rate was 10 cents and the deficiency 2 cents.

There is a Kuching "T" (Taxe) mark and a red manuscript "1/10c" to indicate first weight step and double deficiency of 10 French centimes. There is a transit mark binocular "New York/ Penn Sta" due/2/Cents" of 15 August 1916 arrival mark indicating a transit time of over 45 days. There is also a pre-cancelled 2 cent US postage due stamp of 1910.



Sarawak

September/October 1921

Underpaid letter from Kuching, Sarawak to New York, USA postmarked 22 September 1921 on a copy of the 4 cents of 1918. The rate was 10 cents and the deficiency was 6 cents.

On the obverse is a Kuching "T" (Taxe) mark. There is a binocular "New York" "Due / 6/ Cents" transit mark and copies of the US one cent and 5 cents postage due stamps of 1917.



Sarawak May 1923

Underpaid letter from Miri, Sarawak to Amoy, China which is postmarked 5 May 1923 on the reverse on a block of 6 of the 1 cent of 1918. The rate was 12 cents and the deficiency was 6 cents.

There is a "T" (Taxe) mark and a blue manuscript "30c" to indicate double the deficiency in gold centimes. On the reverse there is a Singapore transit mark of 14 May 1923 and an arrival mark of Amoy of 23 May 1923 of 22 May 1923 indicating a transit time of 18 days. The delivery mark of Kulangsu is on copies of the Chinese 2 and 10 cents stamps of 1914 used as postage due stamps.





Sarawak November 1927

Underpaid letter from Baram, Sarawak postmarked 10 November 1927 on two copies of the 3 cents of 1925 to Worcester, USA There is another strike of Baram of 12 November on the reverse. The rate was 12 cents and the deficiency was 6 cents.

There is also a red manuscript "T" (Taxe) mark in an inverted triangle. There are transit marks on the reverse of Miri of 14 November 1927 and Singapore of 18 November 1927. On arrival in New York a binocular "New York" "Due /10/ Cents" mark was applied and later a 10 cent US 1914 postage due stamp pre-cancelled Worcester/ Mass.





Sarawak June 1929

Underpaid letter from Kuching, Sarawak to Chicago, United States with postage partly paid by a pair of the 4 cents of 1928 postmarked 21 June 1929. The rate was 12 cents and the deficiency 4 cents. There is a Kuching "T" (Taxe) mark next to a manuscript "20c" indicating double the deficiency in gold centimes. On arrival in the US a violet "Chicago, III./ Postage Due 4 Cents" mark was applied but no postage due stamp.



Sarawak August 1929

Underpaid letter from Kuching, Sarawak to Bristol, England partly paid by a copy of the 4 cents of 1926 postmarked 29 August 1929. The rate was 6 cents and the deficiency 2 cents.

There is a Kuching "T" (Taxe) mark and alongside a manuscript "1/10" to denote first weight step and double the deficiency in gold centimes. On the obverse there is also a London 1d/!.S." mark applied in transit and a British 1d postage due stamp of 1925 cancelled 29 September 1929 in Bristol.



Sarawak via Singapore and Penang

June 1931

Underpaid airmail letter with blue airmail label from Kutching, Sarawak to St Louis, USA partly paid by copies of the 1 to 12 cents short set of 1928/29 to total 51 cents postmarked 4 June 1931. The rate was 12 cents surface plus 10 cents air fee to Singapore and also 20 cents air fee from Karachi to London to total 52 cents.

The deficiency was only 1 cent.

There are transit marks of Singapore of 5 June 1931 and Penang of 6 June 1931 on the reverse. On the obverse is also a Penang "T/ centimes" (Taxe) mark in a box with a "50" inserted to indicate double the deficiency in gold centimes. No postage due was charged in the US.

Carried on board an RAF Southampton flying boat S1162 on a survey flight from Kutching.



October/November 1934

Sarawak

Underpaid letter from Miri, Sarawak to London postmarked 13 October 1934 on a copy of the 5 cents of 1934. The rate was 8 cents and the deficiency was 3 cents. There is a Miri "T" (taxe) mark and a blue manuscript "1/20 ct" to indicate first weight step and double the deficiency in gold centimes.

On arrival in London a "1d/79" mark was applied and, on top, a 1d postage due stamp of 1925 postmarked 19 November 1934, a transit period of 36 days.



Sarawak June 1936

Underpaid letter from Kutching, Sarawak to London postmarked 8 June 1936 on two copies of the one cent and a copy of the 4 cents of 1934 to total 6 cents on the reverse. The rate was 8 cents and the deficiency was 2 cents.

On the Obverse there is a Kutching "T" (taxe) mark (Proud next to a blue manuscript "10 ctms" indicating double the deficiency in Gold centimes. There is also a London "1d/ F.B." mark and a British 1d postage due stamp postmarked 7 July 1936. The letter was refused and redirected within London and the due stamp attracted a red boxed "Charge not Collected/ X/ Fresh Label Required".

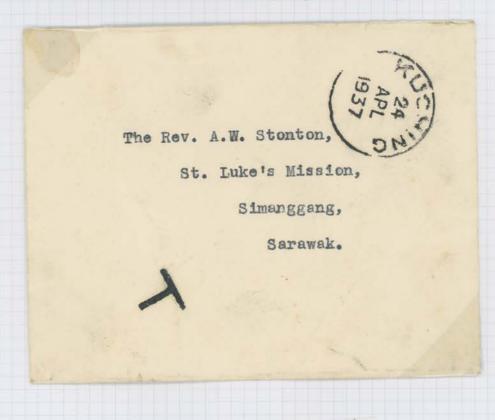




Sarawak April 1937

Unpaid letter from Kuching to Simanggag, Sarawak postmarked 24 April 1937. The rate and the deficiency was 5 cents.

On the obverse is a Kuching "T" (Taxe) mark. The Simanggang arrival mark of 27 April 1937 is on the reverse, There is no indication that postage due was charged.





Sarawak

December 1939/February 1940

Underpaid printed advertising envelope from Kuching, Sarawak to Manchester, England postmarked 24 December 1939 on a copy of the 5 cents of 1934. The rate was 8 cents and the deficiency 3 cents. There is a Kutching "T" (Taxe) mark indicating postage due. The letter was censored in Sarawak where the boxed mark "Passed by/ Censor" mark was applied. On arrival in Britain a boxed "1d/ 4980/ More to /Pay/ rate" mark was applied. The Manchester arrival mark of 12 February 1940 is on a copy of the 1d British postage due stamp of 1938.



Sarawak April 1940

Underpaid letter from Kuching, Sarawak to Los Angles, USA partly paid by copies of the one cent, 2 cents and 5 cents of 1934 postmarked 30 April 1940. The rate was 12 cents and the deficiency was 4 cents.

There is a Kutching "T" (Taxe) mark and a purple boxed "Passed by Censor". There is no arrival mark or indication postage due was charged.

